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Consumer Price Index

January 2016

Overview

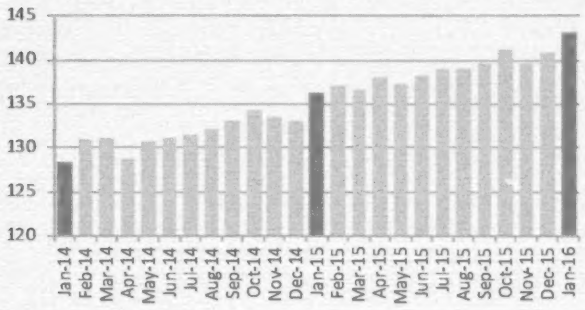
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in January rose 2.0% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 2.0% for Canada, 2.2% for Edmonton, and 1.9% in Whitehorse.

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)

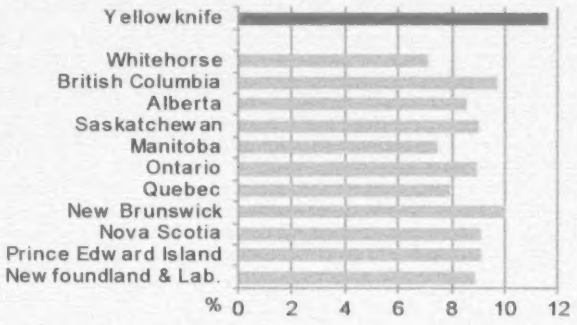
				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	16-Jan	15-Dec	15-Jan	15-Dec	15-Jan	15-Feb 16-Jan	14-Feb 15-Jan	% Change
Yellowknife	130.7	130.6	128.1	0.1	2.0	130.6	128.5	1.6
Canada	126.8	126.5	124.3	0.2	2.0	126.8	125.3	1.2
Edmonton	133.4	133.2	130.5	0.2	2.2	133.6	131.9	1.3
Whitehorse	124.1	124.1	121.8	-	1.9	124.3	124.3	-

Compared to January 2015, consumer prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of shelter. Higher prices for food (5.1%) and transportation (4.3%), were offset by lower prices for fuel oil and other fuels (-20.0%) and gasoline (-4.0%).

CPI - Food
Yellowknife, January 2014 to January 2016



Percentage Change in Prices - Food
January 2014 to January 2016



Over the last 2 years, there has been an upward trend in the price of food in Yellowknife. While every jurisdiction in Canada has experienced a price rise over this time, the increase has been more pronounced in Yellowknife.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JANUARY 2016
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	16-Jan	15-Dec	15-Jan	% Change from 15-Dec	% Change from 15-Jan
All Items	130.7	130.6	128.1	0.1	2.0
Food	143.2	140.8	136.2	1.7	5.1
Food from Stores	143.1	140.2	135.4	2.1	5.7
Food from Restaurants	141.8	141.5	137.4	0.2	3.2
Shelter	149.7	150.0	150.4	-0.2	-0.5
Water, Fuel & Electricity	180.7	182.6	194.7	-1.0	-7.2
Household Operations & Furnishings	114.2	115.1	112.8	-0.8	1.2
Household Operations	121.8	122.6	121.5	-0.7	0.2
Household Furnishings	98.1	99.1	94.6	-1.0	3.7
Clothing & Footwear	100.2	102.7	97.3	-2.4	3.0
Clothing	91.9	95.4	90.4	-3.7	1.7
Footwear	95.1	95.8	95.8	-0.7	-0.7
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	145.7	147.4	128.7	-1.2	13.2
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.4	110.4	110.7	-	-0.3
Transportation	124.1	123.4	119.0	0.6	4.3
Private Transportation	123.5	123.9	117.4	-0.3	5.2
Public Transportation	129.5	124.7	127.5	3.8	1.6
Health & Personal Care	121.2	120.9	120.7	0.2	0.4
Health Care	116.8	117.3	115.1	-0.4	1.5
Personal Care	125.5	124.6	125.9	0.7	-0.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	101.2	101.4	98.2	-0.2	3.1
Recreation	96.4	96.6	93.4	-0.2	3.2
Education & Reading	130.3	130.3	127.3	-	2.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	165.0	164.1	164.9	0.5	0.1
Alcoholic Beverages	144.2	144.2	148.1	-	-2.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	191.6	189.1	183.9	1.3	4.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	128.5	128.7	126.6	-0.2	1.5
Energy	127.5	127.0	123.8	0.4	3.0
Shelter	122.7	122.4	118.9	0.2	3.2
Alcoholic Beverages	130.4	130.3	127.6	0.1	2.2
Tobacco Products	129.6	129.5	127.0	0.1	2.0
Housing (1986 Definition)	138.8	139.1	138.4	-0.2	0.3
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	160.9	165.4	173.7	-2.7	-7.4
Electricity	188.0	188.0	189.4	-	-0.7
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	189.2	198.7	236.6	-4.8	-20.0
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	123.4	129.0	128.6	-4.3	-4.0
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada
2. CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.